

Pappas Telecasting's donation of \$325,000 in airtime to Republican candidates in California is an abuse of the public airwaves.

Localism is not served when the corporate headquarters of a media giant decides to provide one side in local elections a louder voice than others.

Pappas uses the public airwaves free of charge and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Pappas' actions are legally questionable and cast doubt on whether Pappas truly intends to serve the public interest. Their actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. Further, they show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than just a returned postcard. Thank you.